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FOREIGN CROP AND LIVE STOCK REPORTS.CONTENTS.

CROPS IN GENERAL: Egypt, Zanzibar, Canada, Argentina, Switzerland, Algeria.	VANILLA: Guadeloupe.
WHEAT: Australia, India, France.	LIVE STOCK: Spain.
SUGAR: Poland.	COTTON: India.
PEPPER: Dutch East Indies.	OLIVE OIL: France.
TOBACCO: Argentina.	SILK: World.
	BANANAS: Canary Islands.

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CROPS IN GENERAL.EGYPT.

Condition of Principal Crops for March, 1920.

Crop.	Lower Egypt.	Middle Egypt.	Upper Egypt.
Wheat .....	105	103	101
Barley .....	107	103	101
Beans .....	103	98	94
Onions .....	107	101	99
Lentils .....	...	101	91
Bersim .....	99	101	100
Helba .....	100	100	94

Note: 100 is taken to represent an average crop.

(Ministry of Agriculture of Egypt)

ZANZIBAR.

The principal source of riches in Zanzibar is cloves. The islands of Zanzibar and Pemba alone produce the largest quantity of cloves in the whole world. There are in the two islands about 52,000 acres planted with cloves. The average crop of recent years was 14,000,000 pounds. The 1917-18 crop was 10,123,000 pounds. The production of cocoanuts comes next. There are about 48,000 acres planted with cocomanut trees. The copra exports, which increase constantly, amounted to 6,783 tons in 1917. (L'Economiste Francais, Paris).

CANADA.Progress of Spring Seeding.

May 14, 1920. The seeding season this year is later than in any previous year since systematic records were begun by the Census and Statistics Office in 1910. In the Maritime Provinces, where seeding as a rule does not take place until May, work on the land owing to cold wet weather, will not begin until the second week of May. In Quebec, scarcely any seeding had been accomplished by the end of April, and, owing to cold and the absence of sunshine, operations were not expected to begin before the second week of May. In Ontario, about 23 per cent of the total seeding of wheat, and 19 per cent of oats and barley, had been done by April 30; last year the proportions were 68 per cent for wheat, 50 per cent for oats and 49 per cent for barley. In the Prairie provinces very little seeding of wheat had been accomplished in April

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CANADA. - CONT'D.

and practically none of oats and barley; whereas usually 40 to 50 per cent of seeding is done in April. Correspondents report generally an abundance of moisture in the ground, which, if the weather is favorable after seeding, should insure rapid growth and carry the crops well on into June. (Dominion Bureau of Statistics)

ARGENTINA.

The first official forecast for the season 1919-1920 is as follows: Wheat 214,140,000 bushels, oats 57,113,000 bushels, barley 10,279,000 bushels, linseed 42,038,000 bushels, canary seed 14,209 short tons, and peanuts 58,973 short tons. (Boletin Mensual de Estadistica, Argentina).

SWITZERLAND.

CONDITION OF CROPS IN SWITZERLAND.

Crop.	May 1 -		April 1, 1920.
	1920.	1919.	
Winter wheat .....	99	94	98
Grain (Spelt) .....	101	97	99
Winter rye .....	100	94	99
Maslin .....	101	97	100
Winter barley .....	101	97	100
Oats .....	99	93	101

Note: The average condition of each crop for the previous ten-year average is taken as 100%.  
(Schweizer, landwirtschaftliche Marktzeitung)

ALGERIA.

It is feared here that there will be a serious scarcity of wheat and barley and also that there will be difficulty in obtaining a sufficient amount for the food supply. (Bulletin des Halles, Paris, May 22, 1920).

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WHEAT.

AUSTRALIA.

The wheat crop of Australia for the season 1919-1920 is estimated provisionally at 6,570,402 acres, with a yield of 46,210,380 bushels. (Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics).

INDIA.

WHEAT ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION.

1919-20. Forecast.	1918-19. Final.	Increase in 1919-20 compared with -		Final 1918
		Forecast 1918-19.		
Acres ....	29,537,000	23,474,000	26%	24%
Bushels ...	365,000,000	278,000,000	31%	30%

(Official Forecast of April 22, 1920. Department of Statistics of India)

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WHEAT.-CONT'D.FRANCE.

The French Ministry of Agriculture is sparing no effort to encourage the farmers to plant as large an acreage of wheat as possible. It is estimated that for the year 1920, 11,369,000 acres have been planted, as against 16,166,000 acres in 1913. Among the reasons for the relatively low acreage in 1920 are scarcity of labor, fertilizers and seed. (U. S. Commerce Reports).

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SUGAR.POLAND.

The sugar production of Poland in the crop year 1918-19 was 59,261 short tons; which was made from 451,000 short tons of beets, grown on 60,000 acres. (Gazette Cukrownicza; quoted in Die Deutsche Zuckerindustrie).

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PEPPER.DUTCH EAST INDIES.

The new crop, about 22,400,000 pounds, is equal approximately to the exports of 1918. (Fortnightly Commercial Review).

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TOBACCO.ARGENTINA.

The Argentine tobacco crop of 1918 amounted to 9,266,000 pounds. This is 4,850,000 pounds less than the production of the previous year; the figures for 1919 are not yet available. (The Board of Trade Journal, England).

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VANILLA.GUADELOUPE.

The 1920 Guadeloupe vanilla crop is about finished. That is, the green beans, which began coming to market in December 1919, and were sold through February 1920, have all been cured and nearly all have been shipped. The exports from Guadeloupe to the United States consist almost entirely of prepared vanilla. It is estimated that the crop amounts to 35,000 pounds as compared with 37,447 pounds last year and 74,646 pounds in 1918. (U. S. Consular Report).

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LIVE STOCK.

SPAIN.

<u>Census for 1918.</u>	
Horses .....	3,712,008
Sheep .....	18,601,349
Goats .....	4,475,556
Swine .....	4,997,188
Fowls .....	20,223,692

(Le Bulletin des Halles, Paris)

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COTTON.

INDIA.

Cotton Acreage and Production.

	<u>1919-20.</u>	<u>1918-19.</u>
Acres .....	23,063,000	21,038,000
Bales of 400 pounds .....	5,845,000	3,978,000
(Final Estimate, Department of Statistics of India.)		

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OLIVE OIL.

FRANCE.

Production, 1913-1919.

<u>Year.</u>	<u>Pounds.</u>	<u>Gallons.</u>
1913 .....	175,486,160	3,566,295
1914 .....	181,879,500	3,698,380
1915 .....	131,394,160	2,694,534
1916 .....	72,090,420	1,479,352
1917 .....	374,782,000	7,396,760
1918 .....	(No data)	(No data)
1919 .....	88,184,000	1,796,356

(The London, Grain, Seed and Oil Reporter).

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SILK.

FRANCE.

Production, 1914-1919.

<u>Year.</u>	<u>Europe.</u>	<u>Levant Central Asia.</u>	<u>Far East.</u>
	<u>Pounds.</u>	<u>Pounds.</u>	<u>Pounds.</u>
1914 .....	10,670,000	3,935,000	34,381,000
1915 .....	7,088,000	2,293,000	42,791,000
1916 .....	8,977,000	2,293,000	48,530,000
1917 .....	7,154,000	2,293,000	49,559,000
1918 .....	6,967,000	2,293,000	46,054,000
1919 .....	4,630,000	1,764,000	44,092,000

(Economiste Francais, Paris).

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BANANAS.

CANARY ISLANDS.

It is estimated that there are about 7,500 acres devoted to this crop with an annual yield of 4,000,000 bunches. (U. S. Consular Report)

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